

introduced by Senator Schmit and Senator Rod Johnson. (Read title of bill). The bill was read on January 6th of this year and referred to the Ag and Environment Committee for hearing. The bill was advanced to General File Mr. President. There are Ag and Environment Committee amendments pending.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Schmit, would you care to . . I'm sorry, Senator Haberman, the committee amendments please.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, the committee amendments merely reinstate the requirement that commercial feeders obtain a grain buyers and sellers licenses. Now the Public Service Commission by rule and regulation says a commercial feeder or livestock or poultry shall mean any person, firm, corporation, partnership or association that purchases 50,000 or more bushels of grain per year for the feeding of livestock and/or poultry. We put that back in the bill as the committee felt that those people should be protected also. I ask for support of the committee amendment to LB 73.

SENATOR BEUTLER: There are no further lights on the committee amendment so Senator Haberman I will assume that you will waive closing and the question before the House is the adoption of the committee amendments to LB 73. Those in favor vote aye, those opposed vote nay. It takes 25 votes please vote.

CLERK: Senator Beutler voting yes.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Please vote. We need a couple more votes. Anybody else wishes to vote on the committee amendments. Record the vote Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of the committee amendments.

SENATOR BEUTLER: I understand that there are three amendments to the bill. But before we take up those amendments either Senator Schmit or Senator Johnson, would you care to take the time to explain the bill to us please.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, this bill is designed for several purposes. Number one, as you know there have been several elevator bankruptcies in the State of Nebraska in the last year or so. Each time this occurs there is a great hue and cry that something